

West Union Village Council

February 9, 2021

West Union Village Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on 2-9-2021, at the Municipal Building, Mayor Jason Buda presiding. Call to order, pledge to the flag, and roll call: John R Lafferty – present, Mark Brewer – present, Jason Francis – present, Donna Young – present, Randy Brewer – present, Steve Rothwell - present; also in attendance: Tanya Johnson – Clerk, Shelley Gifford – Treasurer, Jerry Kirker – Village Administrator/ Fire Chief, Danni Studebaker – WULS, Lisa Rothwell – Solicitor. Visitors: Lt. Ryan Myers, Stanley Matthew, Ashley McCarty – People’s Defender.

Motion by Randy Brewer for executive session ORC 121.22 G1 personnel, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea. Motion by Steve Rothwell return to regular session, second by Donna Young, roll call vote: all yea.

Lisa Rothwell, Solicitor, told Stanley Matthew that the questions that he asked about the Code Enforcement Officer position have brought some questions to the Council. They are thinking they need to revise the job description and repost for applications. Motion by Jason Francis to extend the posting for the Code Enforcement position, second by Steve Rothwell, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Donna Young to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting on 1-26-2021, and the special meeting on 2-1-2021 as distributed, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to approve payment of bills with a missing receipt from Wex Bank in the amount of \$27.72, second by Mark Brewer, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Jason Francis to accept the statement of receipts for Mayor’s Court for the month of January in the net amount of \$4509.17, second by Randy Brewer, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Ordinance 2021 remove 2021 appropriations from Enterprise Improvement – Sewer Fund per Adams County Auditor, motion by Randy Brewer, second by Mark Brewer, roll call vote: all yea; and declaring an emergency, motion by Steve Rothwell, second by Jason Francis, rollcall vote: all yea, ordinance passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to accept the Mayor’s appointment of Randy Brewer and Mark Brewer to the Board of Volunteer Fire Fighters Dependents, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Report from Jerry Kirker, Village Administrator/Fire Chief

1. Kirker has obtained a price from Bush Away Vinyl in the amount of \$5100.00 to clean the outside of the water tower.
2. The Village Administrator spoke to Bob Gage, and was informed Dollar General would not be coming to the West Street property; however, Gage requested him to help find a suitable piece of property in West Union.
3. All of the sewer projects are running smoothly. March 1<sup>st</sup> the bids will be going out for the sidewalk on 41S and the grant has been sent in to ODOT.
4. There is a water leak on Tower Drive.
5. Kirker thanked the Police Department for their help with the Mosier Furniture fire.

Lt. Ryan Myers discussed getting new AT&T phones for the Police Department, after some discussion, Kirker told Myers to price T-Mobile also.

Danni Studebaker, WULS, advised Council on the number of runs for January, and so far in February. She told Council the rental squad went back to Indiana today.

Lisa Rothwell, Solicitor, has received two new Mayor’s Court cases that have been transferred to County Court.

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Treasurer, Shelley Gifford, told Council that Steve Ogg, Tax Administrator, will be in West Union on April 13 and 15 for taxes.

Council member, Mark Brewer, talked about the Municipal Building roof leaking. Kirker told him, that ADCO will be coming to check out the situation.

Council member, Jason Francis, will be calling a Zoning Meeting for March 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. The Clerk will contact the members.

Francis told Council the Adams County Homeless Shelter has received a grant through the Pain Management Group for \$2500.00 for two Blessing Boxes and material. They are requesting to place a Blessing Box at the Splash Pad. Kirker will check into this matter.

Mayor Buda thanked the West Union Fire Department, Life Squad, Police Department, Lafferty Funeral Home, and everyone for the kindness that was shown during the passing of his mother, Jan Buda.

Motion by Donna Young to adjourn, second by Steve Rothwell, roll call vote: all yea, meeting adjourned.